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# Inflow Newsletter

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## [Blog Post: Annual Member Luncheon Recap](#)

The Colorado Watershed Assembly recently held our Annual Member Luncheon Meeting in Avon before the Sustaining Colorado Watersheds Conference. [Read our blog](#) for more information about what happened at that meeting. Thanks again to Tetra Tech for being our generous luncheon sponsor!



[Metro roundtable - 11/12](#)

[Arkansas basin roundtable - 11/12](#)

## Session and Seminar RFP for Conservation Excellence 2015

The Colorado Coalition of Land Trusts's annual conference, Conservation Excellence, provides conservation professionals in Colorado and the Intermountain West region an opportunity to exchange ideas and best practices, network with colleagues, and learn from each other by attending valuable sessions. The deadline for 2015 proposals is Monday, November 24, 2014. For more information, click [here](#).

## Session Proposals for CAEE Advancing Environmental Education Conference

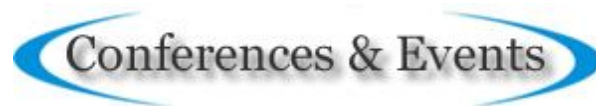
The Colorado Alliance for Environmental Education is seeking session proposals from a variety of backgrounds, sectors and focus areas that highlight research, practices or collaborations around environmental education and connecting people to the outdoors in a variety of settings. Consider submitting a session highlighting the great work you do-you can find more information on submitting a session [here](#).

## Watershed Health Basin Plan Working Group Watershed Health Toolkit

The Watershed Health Basin Plan Working Group was funded by the Arkansas Basin Roundtable to bring together local stakeholders, state and federal agencies, and others in Colorado with an interest in watershed health and its impacts on consumptive and nonconsumptive water supply values. The key conclusions and lessons that emerged from the Working Group's time together are available in the ["Watershed Health Toolkit."](#)

## Water Quality Control Commission Hearing Notices

<http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/op/wqcc/Hearings/Hearings.html>



## New Events

### Nov 1: Sand Creek Regional Greenway's Last NPET of 2014

Join Neighborhood Partners Environmental Team (NPET) for this upcoming event

[Colorado basin roundtable -](#)

[11/24](#)

[North Platte basin roundtable -](#)

[11/18](#)

[Southwest basin roundtable -](#)

[11/12](#)

[Rio Grande basin roundtable -](#)

[11/10](#)

[South Platte basin roundtable -](#)

[11/18](#)

[Yampa/White basin roundtable -](#)

[11/12](#)

[Gunnison basin roundtable -](#)

[11/3](#)

[August 2013 Drought Update](#)

IBCC Homepage:

<http://ibcc.state.co.us/>

IBCC Meeting: TBD



where volunteers will be painting over graffiti and picking up trash along the trail. Make sure to wear clothes you can paint in!! Please dress for the weather, wear close toed shoes and remember to bring a water bottle. They will provide a water jug for refills, as well as tools and work gloves. The event will take place from 9am to 12pm this Saturday at Smith Road Trail Head, 10001 E. Smith Road in Denver, CO 80239. Find more information [here](#).

#### Nov 12: Retrofitting Existing Stormwater Ponds and Basins Webcast

Many communities seek solutions to improve water quality, green the community, and comply with permit conditions and numerical standards in Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs). One of the most efficient means to achieve multiple benefits is to retrofit a community's existing stormwater infrastructure, including older detention basins and ponds. This webcast will address different approaches to retrofitting older stormwater infrastructure, and the regulatory drivers behind retrofits. The webcast, hosted by the Center for Watershed Protection, will also highlight a systematic and effective way to inventory existing practices, develop concept plans, prioritize retrofits based on pollutant removal, cost, and other factors, and construct the retrofits. Register by Nov 10 for \$159 [here](#).

#### Nov 12: Transbasin Diversion Webinars: Part 1

The [Colorado Water Congress](#) and the [Colorado Foundation for Water Education](#) are working together to bring you a series of webinars focusing on Transbasin Diversions in Colorado. Don't miss the first of these outstanding professional development opportunities on November 12, from 9:00-10:00am. Brian Werner (Northern Water), Becky Mitchell (Colorado Water Conservation Board), and Casey Funk (Denver Water) will address the historical development and ongoing regulations associated with transbasin diversions and how Colorado currently interacts with the technical and political requirements of transbasin diversion projects. [Register today!](#)

#### Nov 18: Innovations in Efficiency Showcase Webinar

Merging Technology and Science to Instill a Water Ethic: Innovative Customer Education Strategies for Water Managers - This webinar set for November 18 at 1:00 p.m. Central time, showcases two AWE members who are merging technology and scientific findings to help create smarter water consumers at home and in the classroom. Join Alliance for Water Efficiency to stay ahead of the curve on innovations

*River flows from around the state can be found [here](#).*



*Daily snowpack percents of average from around the state can be found [here](#).*

in efficiency. [Learn more and register here.](#)

#### Nov 21: Maryland Water Monitoring Council 20 Annual Conference

There's still plenty of time to register for the Maryland Water Monitoring Council's 20th Annual Conference at the Maritime Institute, North Linthicum, Maryland, on Friday, November 21, 2014. The theme of the one day conference is *The 20th Annual MWMC Conference: Looking to the Past to Guide our Future*. Registration will begin at 7:30 AM and the conference will adjourn at 4:30 PM. For more information, click [here](#).

#### Dec 4: American Ground Water Trust Annual Water Conference- Colorado Aquifer Management

The December 4th AGWT Annual Water Conference in Denver is the ideal opportunity for an overview of important State water issues and water allocation policies. Six Colorado Legislators on discussion Panel! A must-attend conference for Colorado water professionals and end-users dependent on sustainable water supply. The program will be attended by elected representatives, local government, water managers, regulators, environmental and educational organizations, irrigation and water utility end-users, and their scientific and legal advisors. For more information, click [here](#).

### Upcoming Events

#### Various Dates: River Cleanup

Join the Department of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences from Metropolitan State University of Denver as they partner with the Denver Park District to Adopt the Cherry Creek along the Campus. The following are planned Community Service Dates where students, faculty and staff are invited to join them: November 7, 11, and 19. The work space will be from Colfax to Auraria Parkway along the Cherry Creek trail. For more information, email [wassup@msudenver.edu](mailto:wassup@msudenver.edu).

#### Oct 24: Colorado Waterwise Water Conservation Summit 2014

Come on out and hear the latest news on water, and water conservation efforts underway in Colorado. Continue to support, participate, and network with Colorado WaterWise and your industry colleagues. [Click here](#) to view information on registering

for the event.

#### Oct 30: CDOT Flood Recovery Public Meetings

CDOT is hosting a series of three public meetings to discuss upcoming projects to permanently repair state roads near Estes Park and Loveland, including US 34 and SH 7. They will also provide an update on repairs to US 36 from Lyons to Estes Park. The last meeting, on Oct 30 meeting will take place at 6pm at the Lyons Middle/Senior High School. RSVP for any of the meetings with [jimmy@cig-pr.com](mailto:jimmy@cig-pr.com). The Estes Park public meeting will be available on their [website](#) if you cannot attend.

#### Nov 3: Waters of the US Rulemaking: What it means for Tribal Governments

In this webinar, River Network will provide a chance for tribal government representatives to learn more about the proposed rule, ask questions about the rule, and share their own perspectives. This webinar will provide: an overview from U.S. EPA about the rule and how they view the rule impacting tribal water quality programs; several tribal perspectives about the rule and its impacts; and the opportunity for tribal representatives to ask questions about the rule and share their thoughts. The webinar is free and will take place at 2pm MST. Webinars are limited to 100 individuals; River Network Partners will receive priority consideration. For more information, click [here](#).

#### Nov 5-6: Upper Colorado River Basin Water Forum: Seeking a Resilient Future

*The 2014 conference will create a forum for wide-ranging discussion looking toward a resilient water future in the Upper Colorado River Basin. The forum will take place at Colorado Mesa University in Grand Junction, CO. For more information, click [here](#).*



#### **Funding Opportunities List:**

The Colorado Watershed Assembly has compiled a list of governmental and non-

governmental funding sources for restoration projects and organizational capacity building. The list can be found on our [website](#).

## **DUE SOON!**

### US Small Grants

Application Deadline: November 7, 2014

The Small Grants Program is a competitive, matching grants program that supports public-private partnerships carrying out projects in the United States that further the goals of the North American Wetlands Conservation Act ([Act](#)). These projects must involve long-term protection, restoration, and/or enhancement of wetlands and associated uplands habitats for the benefit of all wetlands-associated migratory birds. For more information, click [here](#).

### Upcoming Deadlines

#### EPA Environmental Justice Small Grants

Application Deadline: December 15, 2014

EPA Environmental Justice Small Grants program provides funding for projects that address local environmental and public health issues in vulnerable communities that may be disproportionately impacted by environmental harms or risks. This grant supports activities designed to empower and educate communities to understand environmental and public health issues and to identify ways to address these issues at the local level. Applications are due December 15, 2014. [Read the request for applications](#).

#### Nonpoint Source Funding Cycle Application

Application Deadline: January 7, 2014

The Nonpoint Source Management Area (NPS Program) of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment funds nonpoint source projects as a result of receiving a federal grant under section 319(h) of the federal Clean Water Act (CWA). The funding is distributed to project sponsors through cost reimbursement contracts with the State for projects chosen through an annual, competitive process that begins with a Funding Announcement. The NPS Program is looking for projects that will help achieve its two overarching objectives: restore waterbodies not meeting water quality

standards by addressing nonpoint source water quality impacts; and protect existing water quality from future nonpoint source pollution. For more information, click [here](#).

#### Surdna Foundation Sustainable Environment Urban Water Management Grant

Application Deadline: Send in letter of inquiry

The Sustainable Environments Program supports innovative stormwater run-off practices that capture and slowly release water into existing drains, pipes and sewers, or reuse rain water where it falls (sometimes called “green infrastructure”) instead of building expensive pipes and sewer tunnels. For more information, click [here](#).



#### New Trainings

##### Nov 12 & 13: Financing Sustainable Water Workshops

The Alliance for Water Efficiency is partnering with the Texas Water Foundation and the Sierra Club to host two workshops for Texas utilities in the Houston and Dallas areas on November 12 and 13. Participants will learn about new rate setting and financial management resources, including in-depth training on AWE's new Sales *Forecasting and Rate Model*. [Learn more and register here](#).

##### Dec 4 & 5: Floodplain Hydraulics Using HEC-RAS

Join Urban Drainage & Flood Control District for two days (8am-5pm both days) to learn basic applications of the US Army Corps of Engineers Hydrologic Engineering Center's River Anyalysis Stream (HEC-RAS) model. This model is the most used one in the determination of floodplains/floodways of floodplains/floodways and their elevations. Real-world problems will be reviewed to gain a practical knowledge of open channel modeling and floodplain analysis. You will utilize your knowledge of open channel hydraulics to develop computer models with cross sections, culverts and bridges. You will also learn basic uses of the advanced functions of HEC-RAS, including unstead flow, storage areas, and get exposure to integration with GIS. You will benefit from hands-on computer lab sessions using HEC-RAS. For complete class content and/or to register, click [here](#).

## Upcoming Trainings

Various Dates: Institute for Conservation Leadership Executive Leadership Program

Become a highly effective executive in this nine month ICL intensive program of workshops, coaching, and peer learning. Increase your skills to position your organization strategically for greater impact with practical tools and guidance. For more information, visit the Institute for Conservation Leadership's [website](#).

Oct/Nov: Three Part Development Officer Series

Build your professional capacity to manage and execute a comprehensive and sustainable fund development plan during this training by the Community Resource Center. Each full-day session addresses specific elements of fund development. This training series is for nonprofit professionals who are currently in working in a development capacity and will provide a deep dive into the critical components of a sustainable fund development plan. For more information, click [here](#).

Oct-Dec (Wednesdays): Whiskey is for Drinking: Water is for Fighting - How Colorado Citizens Have Organized Their Water Commonwealth

This non-credit adult education course will describe how people have organized a hydraulic society to operate their irrigation systems, obtain water for their cities, supplement their rivers with imported water, organize their groundwater in conjunction with surface supplies, resolve their disputes, and confront the challenges of economic growth in a semi-arid environment. Focus will center on the Poudre, Big Thompson, and Platte rivers. Cost: \$95. The course will take place in Fort Collins from 5-7pm. For more information, click [here](#).

Nov 1. Middle School Teacher Project WET Training

Join the Roaring Fork Conservancy for an exciting workshop which will teach you to implement river and water education curriculum into your classroom and become a certified Project WET (Water Education for Teachers) Educator! This workshop is tailored for 5th through 8th grade teachers. For more information, click [here](#).



#### Public Works Director, City of Fruita

The City of Fruita is seeking a Public Works Director to lead our Public Works Department which includes Wastewater, Engineering, Road Maintenance, and Building Maintenance. The Public Works Director plans, directs, manages and oversees the activities, projects and operations of the Public Works Department including street maintenance and construction, fleet maintenance, engineering, traffic engineering, mountain water rights, building maintenance, collection systems, wastewater treatment, and biosolids programs. In addition, this position coordinates assigned activities with other city departments and outside agencies; and provides highly responsible and complex administrative support to the City Manager's office. Find more information [here](#).

#### Regional Water Specialist, Colorado Water Institute at Colorado State University

The Colorado Water Institute at Colorado State University (CSU) and CSU Extension announce an opening for a Regional Water Specialist to provide educational programs & applied research on water resources management in Southern Colorado. The position will provide leadership in the area of water resources in the Arkansas River Basin and San Luis Valley of Colorado. The position requires effective working relations with agricultural, environmental and urban water managers and stakeholders. Position closes November 13, 2014. For the full job description, click [here](#).

#### Environmental Planner, City of Boulder Open Space

Under minimal supervision, the Environmental Planner manages and coordinates the preparation and updating of complex environmental planning projects, including departmental master plans resource management plans and Trail Study Area plans. These planning efforts require balancing in the conservation of ecological systems, cultural resources, agricultural operations and visitor access and visitor experience.

Such tasks involve knowledge of related long-term and broad scale community plans and expectations, working with interdisciplinary and multi-jurisdictional staff and community groups. Environmental planning occurs in both the urban context of

Boulder as well as the natural environment of open space. Apply by 11/03. Click [here](#) for more information.

Volunteer, Wildlands Restoration Volunteers

Check out all of the new volunteer opportunities that Wildlands Restoration Volunteers have up on their [website](#)!

Volunteer, Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado (VOC)

There are several ways to volunteer with VOC, so check out their website for upcoming opportunities. Click [here](#) to get to their website.

Volunteer, Coalition for the Upper South Platte

The Coalition for the Upper South Platte (CUSP) works to protect the 2,600 sq mile watershed that reaches from the Continental Divide to Strontia Springs Reservoir, southwest of Denver. CUSP works with their partners to provide essential services such as project planning, implementation and monitoring within the watershed. CUSP hosts a number of volunteer opportunities in the watershed. To volunteer with CUSP, visit their [volunteer portal](#).



The below Newsletters are new and updated this week.

[Grant Station Newsletter](#)

[Institute for Environmental Solutions October Newsletter](#)

[Uncompahgre Watershed Partnership Newsletter \(Featuring the River Watch Program\)](#)

[American Public Works Association Weekly Update](#)

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